



## Arrival and Departure of Mails at the Postoffice, Oregon, Mo.

**MAILS DEPART:**  
7:30 a. m. For Omaha and intermediate points.  
8:40 a. m. For St. Joseph and intermediate points.  
3:30 p. m. For New Point only.  
4:00 p. m. For Helwig only.  
4:30 p. m. For Villisca, north, mail to all points north, east, south and west, except intermediate between Forest City and St. Joseph.  
**MAILS ARRIVE:**  
5:50 a. m. Omaha—Mails from all points, north, east, south and west.  
10:30 a. m. Villisca and Tarkio Valley branches. Mails from north, east, south and west.  
11:30 a. m. From New Point only.  
3:15 p. m. Main line K. C., St. Joe. & C. B. Mails from all points, north, south, east and west.  
6:00 p. m. From St. Joseph.  
3:00 p. m. From Helwig only.  
Mails are made up promptly 15 minutes before departing time.  
Helwig and New Point mail arrive and depart daily except Sunday.  
Mail to Fortescue, Rulo and points on the B. & M. in Nebraska within 100 miles of this office, should be mailed before 8:45 a. m. in order to reach its destination the same day.  
Mails for main line of K. C., St. Joe. & C. B. north and south, are made up and depart at the same time.

## THE YEAR'S HAPPENINGS.

### When and What Happened in Holt County During the Year 1902 as Gleaned From The Sentinel's Files.

**JANUARY.**  
The first marriage of the year was that of George Sinclair and Miss Cora Day, both of Forest township.  
The first birth was a son to Lewis Berge and wife, on the 1st.  
The first warranty deed filed was that of John Keaster to W. H. Hardman.  
On the 8th, Ira Peter sold his interest in the lumber business in Oregon to Roy C. Kankel.  
Harold Hodgins was thrown from his horse on the 5th, and badly bruised.  
Jack Meek was indicted at the January term of circuit court for assaulting On Fike, with intent to kill. He was arrested on the 30th and put under \$500 bond. The assault was made November 26, 1901. His case was dismissed at the April 1902 term.  
The home of a Mr. Youngman, of Napier, quarantined on account of smallpox on the 16th.  
The Craig postoffice was removed to the F. K. Allen building.  
The Oregon High School Pantagraph made its appearance on the 22nd.  
Circuit court adjourned on 22nd, after holding a fifteen day term.  
Mary Lukens, of Oregon, won the grand gold medal in contest at Mound City, on the 23rd.  
On the 16th, T. C. Dungan was badly hurt by falling on a defective sidewalk.  
D. C. Porter sold his 640 acres in Liberty township for \$38,400; or \$60 per acre.  
J. W. Haigher bought the J. T. Dearmont stock in the Mound City Mills.  
John Diggs, of Fairview, was given 17 days in jail for stealing corn from A. J. Beader.  
On the 29th, the little three-year old child of Joe Morgan, of Mound City, was badly burned, clothing becoming ignited while playing with the fire.

James Duncan was arrested on the 30th for assaulting Mrs. Emma Smith.  
On the 29th, Andy Fowler, of Bigelow, was sent to jail in default of paying fine of \$50 for carrying concealed weapons—pair of brass knuckles.  
The costs, petit jury, grand jury and witness, and criminal costs for January, 1902, term of circuit court amounted to \$1,665.  
Joseph Hoblitzell, of Maitland, was stricken with paralysis at Indianapolis, while on his way to Washington, D. C.  
**FEBRUARY.**  
E. P. Hostetter sold his restaurant business to Sig Nolan.  
The Bank of Bigelow opened for business on the 3rd, with George Poynter as cashier.  
The M. E. church at Bigelow was dedicated on the 16th, Presiding Elder O. S. Middleton, preaching the sermon.  
O. T. (Tommy) Curtis was severely injured near Pueblo, Colo., by being thrown from his buggy.  
Blanche Taylor and Bertha Randall, were arrested on the 13th for sending obscene pictures through the mails.  
Craig became an electric light city on the 6th, Mrs. Carrie D. Kellogg putting in the plant at her own individual expense.  
James Foret had two ribs broken on the 10th, while coasting.  
The old Cornie mill was dismantled. It was built in 1871-2, by W. B. Wilson.  
The collateral inheritance tax was collected from the estates of Nathan Wamsley, \$336; from Dr. G. W. Haken, \$616.  
Wm. Lund's team was drowned while crossing the Missouri river, on the ice, opposite White Cloud.  
Artie and Virgie Close were sent to jail for stealing hogs from W. F. Caton, on the 11th.

**MARCH.**  
Rev. Bauserman, of Craig, was stricken with paralysis while in the pulpit at White Cloud, Kas., on the 4th.  
Blanche Taylor and Bertha Randall, of Craig, were each fined \$100 for mailing obscene matter, in the United States court.  
Mattie Birke, aged 24, suicided at the J. P. Bagby home, on the 7th, by taking strychnine.  
Bernstorf-Schroder, the Danish newspaper man reached Oregon on the 12th. He was to make the tour of the world handcuffed, and left his native city, Copenhagen, penniless.  
Jake King returned from Oregon on the 11th.  
Mrs. T. H. Parrish, formerly of this city, was stricken with paralysis in Kansas City.  
Tom Curry was reappointed postmaster of Oregon.  
A stock company purchased the Meyer opera house at Mound City.  
Levi Oren, of Corvallis, Oregon, visited friends in this county.  
Charley Cowan bought his father's farm, the John G. Cowan home place of 400 acres near New Point on the 13th. He paid \$75 per acre.  
Orville Fike, wife and babe injured in a runaway near Mound City, on the 9th.  
Ralph Carr, aged 2 years, was badly burned on the 14th; playing with matches his clothing caught fire.  
John Milne, of Forbes township, was badly injured in a runaway, on the 18th.  
The family of Sam Stockwell was

quarantined on the 15th, on account of the smallpox.  
Daily weather reports was established on the 21st, on the Oregon rural route.  
Mrs. Kite was badly injured in a runaway on the 6th.  
Emil Weber bought the Mont Austin interest in the Forest City bank.  
W. L. Lynds opened an implement store at Fortescue.  
A son of a Mr. Parrish, near Forest City, was badly burned while burning brush on the 25th.  
Burlington passenger No. 13, held up near St. Joseph waterworks on the 27th. No booty was secured.  
**APRIL.**  
C. C. McKee leased the Midland hotel in Mound City.  
Luther Adams, aged 17, accidentally shot by his brother, aged 12, by pointing gun at him. Wounded badly in the left shoulder. Accident occurred on the 14th.  
Rev. F. W. Fiegenbaum and wife celebrated their golden wedding on the 11th.  
Mrs. John Clark and son were badly injured in a runaway at the "narrows" on the 18th.  
Warren Gibson, aged 3 years, had his leg broken by a corn sheller falling upon on the 17th.  
Wm. Heine, living near Craig, was killed by a rock falling upon his head and crushing his skull.  
William Scott was arrested at Manhattan, Kas., and brought to this county on charge of stealing from Stephen Cunningham in 1899.  
Charles Wickieer was arrested at Oledo, Ill., on the 26th, on charge of stealing cattle in 1899 from Stephen Cunningham.  
John Adkins, of near Corning, was seriously hurt in a runaway. Team was hitched to a cultivator and ran away throwing Mr. A. from the implement.  
An encampment branch of the I. O. O. F., was organized at Forest City on the 26th, with 10 charter members. Al. Wood was chosen C. P.; B. G. Austin, Scribe.  
A retail merchant's association was organized here on the 29th. G. W. Cummins president and George F. Seaman, secretary.  
**MAY.**  
Joseph H. Graham was stricken with paralysis at Big Lake on the 11th.  
Shambaugh & Co., opened a grocery business in Oregon on the 12th.  
The annual convention of Christian Endeavor societies was held in Oregon 10th and 11th.  
The case of the State vs. Giles Laughlin, charged with embezzlement, was reversed and remanded by the supreme court on the 12th.  
The Woodville Presbyterian church was dedicated on the 18th by Revs. H. A. Sawyers and Geo. H. Williamson.  
Memorial day was observed by the Odd Fellows.  
Much damage was done on the 21st, by wind, hail and rain in all parts of the county.  
The Glads one hotel in Mound City was leased to G. H. (Hub) Jones, by Chris Whobrey.  
Mrs. Ada Burrier-Reese, of St. Joseph, was badly burned on the 27th, by a gasoline explosion.  
Ed. Cotton's horse ran away while in Oregon on the 29th, and broke its leg.  
The District Christian Endeavors convention, composed of 15 counties, held a three days session at Craig, beginning on the 30th.  
**JUNE.**  
Mrs. J. D. Goodpasture, of Maitland, fell down the stairway at home on the 5th, and received serious injuries.  
Hogs reached \$7.65 in Kansas City on the 11th, and cattle \$7.60 on the 3rd.  
The trial of Wm. Scott for stealing cattle was called on the 10th, at an adjourned term of circuit court. The jury failed to agree, four being for acquittal.  
Eda Burke shot her husband, Michael Burke, at their home in Craig, on the 29th; they had been quarreling; Burke was drunk and abused his wife.  
Chuening & Poynter opened a stock of lumber in Bigelow.  
Lightning did considerable damage to the residence of Lan Whitham, in Oregon, on the 28th.  
**JULY.**  
On the 4th, Bert Maple had his face and eyes badly burned by the explosion of a toy cannon; he has lost the sight of one eye.  
Ray Whitehead had his skull crushed, causing instant death on the 3rd, by a log falling upon him.  
Wm. Mariner in a fit of insanity stabbed his brother-in-law, John Lovelady, with a pocket knife on the 6th inst. He was sent to the asylum.  
Frank Keiffer sold 59 head of hogs on the 7th at \$8.15; and 66 head at \$8.10.  
Rev. Crampton faints and falls in his pulpit in Oregon, on the 6th.  
The physicians of the county organized the Holt county medical society at Bigelow, on the 1st inst. Dr. E. Kaltenback was chosen president, and E. M. Miller, secretary.  
T. S. Hinde disposed of his half inter-

est in drug business to J. W. Dohrer.  
Paul Howell was appointed janitor of the Federal building at St. Joseph.  
The Lyville barn in Oregon was destroyed by fire on the 19th; fire originated from lightning stroke. Loss \$500, insurance, \$200.  
On the 16th, Marguerette Tennis, aged 9, was outraged in Kansas City by a man named Spear. She formerly resided in Oregon.  
Terrific rain fall on the 24th, together with hail—rain fall 2.85 inches in three-fourths of an hour. Much damage was done to growing crops.  
Squire Randall was arrested for raping person of Agnes, the 14 year old daughter of John Breckenridge, residing north of the Rulo landing.  
Charles Rhodes, of Forbes, fell from a barn roof on the 26th, and broke an arm and leg.  
Jacob Bucher had his foot badly cut and mashed on the 30th, by being caught in the trip lever of a hay rake.  
Adam Klippel and wife celebrated their golden wedding in Portland, Ore., July 26th.  
**AUGUST.**  
Emil Moser, aged 22, found dead in timber near his home on the Forest City and Mound City road on the 22nd. Supposed to have been killed by accidental discharge of his gun while hunting.  
Allen Bloomer and wife celebrated their golden wedding on the 12th.  
Tom Kyger had shoulder dislocated in railroad wreck near Weston on the 17th.  
Darkus Wampler, aged 16, was killed by accidental discharge of his gun on the 17th.  
Wm. German, of Clay township, was adjudged insane and sent to the asylum on the 18th.  
J. R. Kelsey, formerly of Mound City, was arrested in Montana, for forging his name to his father's pension check. The forgery was committed in Mound City two years ago.  
Theodore Smirl was run over by cars and killed at Rockyford, Colo., on the 15th.  
A. H. Bailey and George Penny purchased the controlling interest in the Forest City Mills.  
**SEPTEMBER.**  
Dr. J. R. Kearney died suddenly from heart disease on the 15th.  
Lieut. John R. Morris, of the navy, suicided at Boston, on board ship Olympia on the 15th, by shooting himself with a revolver.  
Mont Hall, of Maitland, fell from roof to ground floor on the Pinkston building in Maitland, on the 13th and broke several bones.  
The Bigelow Enterprise, W. D. Hurlbut, editor, made its appearance on the 25th.  
**OCTOBER.**  
Union township was divided into two voting precincts at the October term of the county court.  
Giles Laughlin had second trial on charge of embezzling from, Stella Hahn estate on the 28th; jury failed to agree.  
Seymour Schoonerover, in the employ of one of the state penitentiary contractors, died at Jefferson City on the 24th.  
George Haylett, aged 35, was found dead along side of railroad track, just below Napier on the 28th; his head was severed from his body. Supposed to have been run over by a train.  
J. R. Linville purchased the Sig Noland restaurant on the 31st.  
On the 22nd, the railroad bridge above Forest City was destroyed by fire.  
**NOVEMBER.**  
The 7th annual chrysanthemum show was held 13-15th.  
Clyde King began services with Jesse Fitts.  
The Williamson Bros., purchased the Zook stock of clothing at Maitland.  
Roy Watson got a partial load of shot in his forehead by accident while hunting with Charley Gatcher, Charley was behind the gun when it accidentally went off.  
Will McKeown while hunting near Fortescue, was accidentally shot on the 11th by accidental discharge of gun in hands of his companion and brother, John. Wounds were only slight.  
Adam Geil was adjudged insane by the probate court and sent to the St. Joseph asylum on the 17th.  
Mrs. Mina Fields and son, John, of Maitland, asphyxiated on the 16th. They recovered.  
Thos. Fitzgerald, Frank Henderson and John Smith arrested and given 90 days each in jail for stealing clothing from Meyer & Fuller, of Mound City, on the 12th.  
Blanche Fields obtains \$4,000 damages from Mrs. Mina Fields, for alienation of husband's affection.  
The case known as the Squaw Creek Drainage District No. 1, docketed at the Mound City Land & Stock Co., vs. Diana Miller, defendant appellant; was affirmed by the supreme court.  
**DECEMBER.**  
On the 1st, the acetylene gas plant at Maitland exploded. C. P. Bartram was near the machine at the time, and was

badly burned.  
The Hotel Woodland, of Oregon, passed into the control of J. J. Bullock on the 10th, and the Gladstone at Mound City passed into the hands of Wm. T. York on the 22nd.  
The annual poultry show was held at Maitland on the 18-20th.  
Grover Andrews, of Maitland, had his hand badly lacerated on the 13th by accidental discharge of revolver in his hands.  
"Uncle" John Hodgins fell on his way home in Maitland on the 24th and broke his collar bone.  
E. T. Fraker retired from the editorial management of the Mound City Jeffersonian on the 26th, and Dr. J. L. Minton became editor.  
The depot at Maitland was burglarized on Christmas day while the agent was at supper. Forty-five dollars was taken from the cash drawer.  
Adam Klippel, former owner of this paper, died in Portland, O., on the 30th from heart disease.  
Hazel Drake was badly burned on the 27th, her apron was ignited from the stove, and before assistance reached her, she was badly burned.  
A. W. King retired from the drug business here, after 20 years' service with C. O. Proud.  
There were but 26 jail commitments during the year—not one of which was for grand larceny.  
**PROPOS AGAINST PROPOS.**  
Full Text of the Decision as Handed Down by the Supreme Court.  
We present to our readers this week, the full text of the decision of our supreme court in this case, which will doubtless be read by all our readers: In the Supreme Court of Missouri, Division No. 2, October term, 1902. Florida Propes, Respondent, vs. Peyton Propes, William Rankin, Ashby Kite and Jacob Andes, Appellants.  
Martin Meyer in his life time, was seized and possessor of about 700 acres of land in Holt county, Missouri, including the land in controversy, and he was also possessed of about \$21,000 in money and personality. He resided upon the said land and died thereon, intestate, October 4th, 1896, leaving a widow, Catherine Meyer, and eight children surviving him, viz.: John Meyer, George Meyer, Alexander Meyer, Anna Meyer, Mary Ann Griffith, Eliza Ritchie, Sophronia Martin and Florida Propes, the plaintiff. The widow elected to take a child's part in said estate. The estate was duly administered upon and fully settled in the Holt county probate court and final distribution made thereof, the widow and each child receiving the sum of \$2,368.50. The widow, Catherine, purchased the undivided interest of Eliza Ritchie, being one ninth of said land and thereby became the owner of two-ninths part thereof in fee simple. No dower or homestead in the same was ever claimed, assigned or set off to the said widow. She died leaving a will on the 13th day of June, 1895, and devised thereby all her undivided two-ninths part of said real estate to seven of the said children equally, plaintiff being one of those included and Eliza Ritchie being the one excluded.  
Defendant Propes married plaintiff February 14th, 1899. After the death of Catherine, the sons and the defendant went to the office of VanBuskirk, an attorney, and employed him to prepare an agreement to be signed by all the heirs of Martin Meyer, and the children and devisees of Catherine Meyer, (except Eliza Ritchie), agreeing to the appointment of the commissioners then selected and named, to make partition of all the lands and estates of said Martin and Catherine Meyer deceased, each binding themselves to take such land, or money and land, or money alone, as said commissioners might set off to them respectively, each party to make and accept deeds or money and abide the partition of the said commissioners. Plaintiff was not present and had nothing to do with it, and knew nothing of it until the writing was presented for her signature, when she signed the same. After plaintiff and some others had signed it, some changes were made by VanBuskirk by making additions and changes thereto, without her knowledge or consent. The time of meeting being changed, she was notified of the changed date, and on the day set by the changed date, all parties met at the old homestead and the commissioners, Roecker, Scott and Meyer, made a partition and assignment to the different children and heirs, as provided by such changed agreement, and they assigned to plaintiff, Florida Propes, 120 acres, being the east half of the northeast quarter and the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 23,

in township 61, of range 33, of the land in controversy, with the condition that she should pay to her brother, Alex Meyer, \$1,678.38. Attorney VanBuskirk, being present, asked plaintiff how she wanted her deed made, notwithstanding the written agreement drawn by him, specifying to whom same was to be made. Plaintiff said, "make it to me." He then told her, as she had no children, it would be different with her, that she must leave it to some one after her death. She replied, "of course I want it to go to my husband after my death." VanBuskirk prepared the deed shortly thereafter and drew the same to Florida Propes, second party, conveying the land to her, Florida Propes, her heirs and assigns. He saw a part of the heirs and had the deed to Mrs. Propes signed and acknowledged by them, but afterwards he changed said deed by inserting in the portion thereof, describing the second party, after the words, "Florida Propes, heirs of said Martin and Catherine Meyer, deceased," and before the words, "party of the second part," the words "and Peyton Propes, her husband." \* \* \* without the knowledge or consent of Florida Propes. He admits this change after such signatures and acknowledgements, but states it was because of inadvertence in omitting them when drawing the deed. Defendant was in bad health in 1896, and the land was rented to Mr. Landry for that year, against the consent of the plaintiff, and was rented to one Jack Madaris in the fall of 1896 to farm for the year 1897, on the shares, with the understanding and contract that he was to board in the family and have his washing done while tending the farm. In the summer of 1897, after the crop was planted, defendant went to Colorado and stayed till fall and the land was rented in the fall of 1897 again to Madaris for the year 1898, under the same terms as before. There was trouble between plaintiff and her husband over the deed, and the renting to Landry in 1896 and also in 1897, before defendant went; to Colorado. Defendant was then asserting title and right to rent and control the land and property over which they disagreed and finally separated, the plaintiff leaving the place to live elsewhere.  
After the commissioners, who were selected to make the partition of the land, and assigned to the plaintiff that portion in controversy, and decided that she should pay Alexander Meyer, \$1,678.38, she and her husband executed their note to him to secure its payment upon which he afterwards paid the sum of \$260.  
After the execution of the partition deed by plaintiff's brothers and sisters to her or to her and her husband as the case may be, and she and her husband executed to them, deeds for their respective allotments, defendant took exclusive control of the farm, and appropriated the rents and profits thereof to his own exclusive use and benefit.  
The court found the facts and declared the law to be as follows:  
Martin Meyer, whose home was in Holt county, State of Missouri, died there intestate in 1896, leaving a large estate, which vested in his eight children, subject to homestead and dower rights of his widow. Plaintiff was one of said decedent's children, and February, 1899, was married to defendant, and is now his wife.  
The personal estate of said decedent was distributed in process of administration in the probate court of said Holt county, plaintiff receiving \$2,368.40.  
The widow was permitted by the heirs to remain in control of all the lands during her life time, and she rented to the parties to this cause the lands in controversy, and they paid rents to her until March 1, 1896. She died in July 1895.  
Prior to her death, the widow purchased of her daughter, Eliza Ritchie, her one-eighth interest of all the lands of said Martin Meyer, and devised same to seven of her children, whereby plaintiff acquired one fifty-sixth of all of said lands in 1895.  
By mutual agreement and by deeds intersect, these lands were divided in July, 1895, after the mother's death, the heirs agreeing to take what Albert Roecker, George Meyer and James Scott, who had been agreed upon to make division, might decide.  
The lands in controversy were set apart to plaintiff and were valued at \$4,800, which was an excess of her share in the sum of \$1,678.38, and for this sum, plaintiff and defendant executed their note to Alexander Meyer. Mr. VanBuskirk, an attorney at law in the said county, acting for all parties in the division, advised them as to the law of descents, and stated to plaintiff, as she had no child, if the deed were made to her alone, at her death the title would vest in the brothers and sisters to the exclusion of her husband.  
Plaintiff said she wanted her husband to have it after her death. Mr. Van-